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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ Utility ☐ Design ☒ nonprovisional ☐ provisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: Koji TOKIMATSU, et al.

☐ See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: **METHODS FOR MEASUREMENT, ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT OF GROUND STRUCTURE.**

☐ This is a new patent application.

☐ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.

☐ This is a provisional patent application.

☒ This is a: ☒ Continuation Application

☐ Divisional Application

☐ Continuation-in-Part Application

of prior Application Serial No. 09/638,681.

☒ Cancel in this application original claims 2-8 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- This is a ☒ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, ☐ Continuation-in-part, of Application Serial No. 09/638,681 filed August 15, 2000, now Pending,

which is a Continuation of 08/887,686 filed July 3, 1997, now Issued,
 which is a Continuation of 08/573,914 filed December 18, 1995, now
 Abandoned,
 which is a Continuation of 08/340,965 filed November 17, 1994, now
 Abandoned,
 which is a Continuation of 08/210,120 filed March 16, 2003, now Abandoned,
 which is a Continuation of 07/686,216 filed April 16, 1991, now Abandoned. -

[X] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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| ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING: | | |
| X | 7 | Sheets of drawings ([X] formal [] informal size A4). |
| X | 23 | Pages of specification including abstract and claims. |
| X | 30 | Total pages. |
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| | | Assignment to: |
| | X | Assignment is of record in prior application Serial No. <u>07/686,216</u> . |
| | | Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet. |
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| PRIORITY CLAIMS | |
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| | Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119. |
| X | Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below: Japan Patent Appln. No. 2-112221, filed April 28, 1990, Priority Claimed of which certified copies thereof |
| | will follow |
| | are enclosed |
| | have been filed in the International Bureau |
| X | were filed in prior application: 07/686,216 |

| CLAIMS FILED AND FILING FEE CALCULATION | | | | | |
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| ITEM | — | | | Rate | Applied Fee |
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| [] Base Fee - PCT IPEA-US | — | | | \$720 | |
| [] Base Fee - PCT ISA-US | — | | | \$750 | |
| [] Base Fee - PCT not ISA or IPEA | — | | | \$1,060 | |
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| [] Base Fee - Design | | | | \$330 | |
| [] Base Fee - Provisional | — | | | \$160 | |
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| Independent Claims | 1 | 3 | 0 | \$84 | \$0 |
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